

**PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 1138**

**SENATE BILL NO. 4075**

**By Tracy, Wilder, Tate, Harper, Ketron, Stanley, Johnson, Mr.  
Speaker Ramsey, Norris, Ford, Raymond Finney**

**Substituted for: House Bill No. 4053**

**By Rinks, Lois DeBerry, DuBois, Watson, Overbey, Matheny, Curtiss,  
McDaniel, McManus, Lundberg, Pinion, Mumpower, Harmon,  
Hensley, Harry Brooks, Hawk, Maggart, Bell, Montgomery, Roach,  
Shaw, Bone**

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 29 and Title 68, relative to long term care facilities.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. (a) There is hereby created by the general assembly a committee to study the effects of litigation on the nursing home industry. Such committee shall consist of five (5) members each from the House and Senate, appointed by the Speaker of the House and the Speaker of the Senate. The House makeup shall consist of two (2) members of the House Judiciary Committee, two (2) members of the House Finance Committee, and one (1) member from the House Health and Human Resources Committee. The Senate makeup shall consist of two (2) members of the Senate Judiciary Committee, two (2) members of the Senate Finance Committee, and one (1) member from the Senate General Welfare Committee.

(b) The committee shall seek input from the Tennessee health care association, multi-facility nursing home owners, the Tennessee association of justice, the AARP, the Department of Health, the Department of Commerce and Insurance, the Department of Finance and Administration, and any other parties the committee deems appropriate.

(c) The committee shall report its findings to the Speaker of the House and the Speaker of the Senate not later than February 1, 2009, including any recommendations for legislation and/or rules and regulations.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

**PASSED: May 20, 2008**



RON RAMSEY  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE



JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 13th day of June 2008



PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR